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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the product claims of the instant RCE Application be amended as indicated supra. Specifically, claims 1-4 and 6 have been amended to include an aluminum-bronze anode. Support for this additional limitation is found on page 11 of the specification.

Claims 21-26 are new. Independent claim 21 recites an electrolyte and anode combination for use in aluminum electrolysis. Claims 22-26 depend from claim 21. Support for the claims are found throughout the specification, and particularly on pages 10-11.

The art of record neither anticipates nor suggests the invention as now claimed. Favorable consideration of the application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted

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